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ROUTING

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TO : DIRECTOR

FROM : FRANKFURT

ACTION: EE 6

INFO : CI, CI/OPS, CI/OA, FI, FI/OPS, FI/RI 2, SR 3, WE 4, S/C 2

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FOR ACTION BY JD
SUSPENSE DATE

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PRECEDENCE

TO DIR

INFO FRAN PULL BRLN
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CITE FROB

CALL CART

RE FROB 3954* (NOT TO BRLN STUT)

1. REQUEST TRACES FROM RECIPIENTS ON HEINZ PANNWITZ BORN MAGDEBURG 1911.
MEMBER BERLIN KRIPO 1936-40. WITH PRAGUE GESTAPO INVESTIGATING SABOTAGE
POLITICAL MURDERS 1940-42. IN CHARGE INVESTIGATION HEYDRICH MURDER PRAGUE.
BRIEF MILITARY SERVICE FINNISH FRONT 1942. 1942-45 IN PARIS AS CHIEF
SONDERKOMMANDO ROTE KAPELLE HANDLING GERMAN PLAYBACK OF SOVIET AGENTS OTTO
TREPPER AND FRITZ KENT. CAPTURED BY FRENCH IN AUSTRIA AT END OF WAR. TURNED
OVER TO RUSSIANS. 1945-56 IN LYUBYANKA JAIL, VORKUTA CAMP USSR. REPATRIATED
THRU FRIEDLAND JAN 56. RECOGNIZED AS LEGIT RETURNEE. NOW LIVING LUDWIGSBURG
NEAR STUTTGART. UNEMPLOYED.

2. FOR PULL: PLS CHECK U.S. FILES ONLY. [] STATES HE ADVISED OF
PANNWITZ RETURN BY ALIAS FRIESEN, ^KMUTZBACH EARLY 56. WE DO NOT WISH FURTHER
DISCUSSION WITH UPSWING AT THIS TIME. PLS POUCH FILM OF ALIAS REGER ROTE
KAPELLE STUDY FOR FROB REVIEW, RETIEN.

3. BRLN PLS CHECK STATION FILES ONLY.

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4. COS FILES CONTAIN SEVERAL WARTIME REPORTS CONFIRMING PANNWITZ
ROLE PRAGUE PARIS. XX-11808 STATES PANNWITZ KEPT KENT TRANSMITTER GOING
AFTER KNOWING IT COMPROMISED HOPING IT MIGHT SERVE AS COMMO CHANNEL BETWEEN
RUSSIANS NAZIS. PANNWITZ REPORTEDLY CONVINCED THERE NEED FOR COMPROMISE
AGREEMENT WITH RUSSIANS. NO POST WAR TRACES OR CONFIRMATION HIS TURN
OVER TO RUSSIANS.

END OF MESSAGE

*CABLE SECRETARIAT COMMENT: NO RECORD IN THE CABLE SECRETARIAT AS OF
1305, 14 JUN 56.

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